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SUBJ: CALL ON ADDERLEY: LAND TENURE, PRECLEARANCE,
AIR ROUTES JUSTICE REQUESTS

1. DURING A JANUARY 17 CALL ARRANGED PRINCIPALLY TO
DISCUSS OTHER MATTERS, I RENEWED OUR REQUESTS FOR A LAND
TENURE AGREEMENT NOW CRITICAL FOR FARMERS AT BARTAD,
PRECLEARANCE LEGISLATION AND EVIDENTIARY MATERIAL
REQUIRED BY JUSTICE. FOR HIS PART, ADDERLEY EXPRESSED
IRE AT PANAM IN RELATION TO CAB TURNDOWN OF AMERICAN
AIRLINE'S ROUTE REQUEST.

2. CITING DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE AGRICULTURE AND
DEVELOPMENT MINISTRIES AS EXCUSE FOR DELAY, ADDERLEY SAID
THAT THE LAND TENURE AGREEMENT, WHICH IS NOW BACK IN
HIS IN-BASKET, IS FINALLY ABOUT READY. AFTER A FEW FINAL
TOUCHES, HE PROMISED TO BE ABLE TO REPORT COMPLETION
"NEXT WEEK."

3. ADDERLEY VOLUNTEERED HIS DEEP DISAPPOINTMENT AND SOME
IRRITATION AT THE CAB TURNDOWN OF AMERICAN AIRLINE'S
NEW YORK-NASSAU APPLICATION (SENTIMENTS I ALSO HEARD
LAST WEEK FROM TOURISM MINISTER MAYNARD) AND ADVOCATED
REVOKING RATHER MERELY SUSPENDING PANAM'S LICENSE. IT
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IS NOT, HE SAID, AN EASTERN OR DELTA PROBLEM BUT RATHER
A PANAM PROBLEM, SINCE HE HAD BEEN ASSURED BY PANAM IN
APRIL 1976 THAT THEY WOULD RESUME OPERATIONS IN
NOVEMBER OR DECEMBER FOR THE PEAK WINTER SEASON. THE
FACT THAT THEY HAD NOT, HE ADDED, GIVES GCOB SOMETHING
TO USE AGAINST PANAM. I AGREED WITH ADDERLEY THAT A WAY
TO PROVIDE MORE SEATS HAD TO BE FOUND AND PROMISED TO

INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBILITIES. FYI. I THINK GCOB HAS
A VALID BEEF ON THIS ONE. I WILL AMPLIFY IN A SEPTTEL.
END FYI.

4. MY RENEWAL OF OUR LONG-STANDING REQUEST FOR LEGIS-
LATION MAKING IT A BAHAMIAN CRIME TO MAKE A FALSE
DECLARATION TO U.S. PRECLEARANCE PERSONNEL WAS SURPRIS-
INGLY MET WITH A PROMISE TO HAVE AN AGREED DRAFT READY
"NEXT WEEK." FYI. I WILL BE EVEN MORE SURPRISED IF
THE DRAFT IS FORTHCOMING IN THAT TIMEFRAME. END FYI.

5. REFERRING TO MOUNTING DOMESTIC U.S. PRESSURE TO
PROSECUTE TAX EVADERS USING HAVENS LIKE THE BAHAMAS,
I AGAIN ASKED FOR THE EVIDENTIARY MATERIAL REQUIRED BY
JUSTICE IN THE GERRITS, LYNSKEY AND CASTLE BANK CASES
AND LEFT COPIES OF AMBASSADOR WEISS' DECEMBER 10, 1976
LETTERS ON THESE CASES. ADDERLEY TOOK NOTES BUT
MADE NO PROMISES.
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